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Aug 19, 2003

US-PAT-NO: 6609106

DOCUMENT-IDENTIFIER: US 6609106 B1

TITLE: System and method for providing electronic multi-merchant gift registry services over a distributed network

DATE-ISSUED: August 19, 2003

INVENTOR-INFORMATION:

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ART-UNIT: 3625

PRIMARY-EXAMINER: Rosen; Nicholas David

ABSTRACT:

An online Gift Registry Service provides registration of information for a gift registrant and allows access to the registry by potential gift giver users. In addition, users can tag items of interest at participating Service Provider (SP) sites and the SP sites will register these items with the Gift Registry Service on the user's behalf. It further provides a streamlined checkout process for

purchasing these gift items with the registered SP sites (e.g. World Wide Web sites) over a distributed public network. Users and Service Providers (SP) ~~initially register with the Gift Registry Service and are provided additional~~ functionality. For users, a reminder service is provided to notify individuals automatically upon the trigger of certain events, such as important dates or product sales from online merchants. In addition, there are various occasion planning services available such as distribution lists, discussion groups, and other related resources for multiple events including weddings, baby showers, etc.. These other resources include sending out announcements, reserving halls, and contracting services of related businesses for the occasion. A distinct advantage of this system is that users can perform all the planning for the event online in the comfort of their home or office. Service Providers on the other hand, can register system notification messages to be triggered on pre-determined events. In addition, Service Providers can obtain marketing information to tailor their products and services.

19 Claims, 44 Drawing figures

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File: USPT

Jun 30, 1998

US-PAT-NO: 5774874

DOCUMENT-IDENTIFIER: US 5774874 A

TITLE: Multi-merchant gift registry

DATE-ISSUED: June 30, 1998

INVENTOR-INFORMATION:

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Remington; Debra	Hopkins	MN		

ASSIGNEE-INFORMATION:

NAME	CITY	STATE	ZIP CODE	COUNTRY	TYPE CODE
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APPL-NO: 08/ 562014 [\[PALM\]](#)
DATE FILED: November 22, 1995

PARENT-CASE:

RELATED APPLICATIONS This is a continuation-in-part of U.S. patent application Ser. No. 08/132,604, filed Oct. 6, 1993, entitled GIFT REGISTRY APPARATUS AND METHOD, abandoned, which itself was a continuation-in-part of application Ser. No. 08/062,470, filed May 14, 1993, abandoned. The present application is also related to Applicants' copending application entitled A METHOD AND APPARATUS FOR PROVIDING REGISTRY CARDS, filed on even date herewith and assigned to the assignee of the present invention, the disclosure of which is herein incorporated by reference.

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US-CL-ISSUED: 705/27; 705/14

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ART-UNIT: 241

PRIMARY-EXAMINER: McElheny, Jr.; Donald E.

ATTY-AGENT-FIRM: Patterson & Keough, P.A.

ABSTRACT:

The present invention provides a system for registering items selected by a registrant from a plurality of participating merchants for subsequent communication to a prospective purchaser. The system has a computer system that contains identifying information about the registrant. A portable input and storage device is provided that can be carried by the registrant into a plurality of participating stores. The portable input and storage device is capable of receiving and storing information regarding gifts that the registrant desires to receive as presents. The input and storage device stores a unique identifier for the particular merchant each desired gift is from. A transfer device is provided connected to the computer system that receives the information regarding the registrant's desired gifts from the portable input and storage device and transfers the information to the computer system. Finally, a prospective purchaser interface device is provided that allows the prospective purchaser to view, sort or print a list of the gifts desired by the registrant and which particular merchant those gifts are from.

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File: USPT

May 19, 1998

US-PAT-NO: 5754981

DOCUMENT-IDENTIFIER: US 5754981 A

TITLE: Gift registry apparatus and method

DATE-ISSUED: May 19, 1998

INVENTOR-INFORMATION:

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APPL-NO: 08/ 473064 [PALM]

DATE FILED: June 7, 1995

PARENT-CASE:

GIFT REGISTRY APPARATUS AND METHOD This is a Continuation of application Ser. No. 08/179,535, filed Jan. 10, 1994, abandoned, which is a continuation of 08/132,604, filed on Oct. 6, 1993 (now abandoned), which is a continuation-in-part of application Ser. No. 08/062,470, filed on May 14, 1993 (now abandoned).

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ART-UNIT: 274

PRIMARY-EXAMINER: McElheny, Jr.; Donald E.

ATTY-AGENT-FIRM: Patterson & Keough, P.A.

ABSTRACT:

Gift registry apparatus provides registration of information for a gift registrant and allows access to the registry by potential gift giver users. The apparatus is a network of computer terminals used in conjunction with a bar code scanner. A registrant provides personal information. The bar code scanner is used to obtain product information on desired gifts. The personal information and the product information are associated together. The apparatus is accessed by potential gift givers to obtain printouts of potential gifts for particular registrants.

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File: USPT

Apr 29, 2003

US-PAT-NO: 6556975

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TITLE: Computer system and method for providing an on-line mall

DATE-ISSUED: April 29, 2003

INVENTOR-INFORMATION:

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ART-UNIT: 3625

PRIMARY-EXAMINER: Coggins; Wynn

ASSISTANT-EXAMINER: Garg; Y. C.

ATTY-AGENT-FIRM: Rourk; Christopher J. Akin, Gump, Strauss, Hauer & Feld, LLP

ABSTRACT:

A computer system and method for providing an on-line mall. An on-line mall environment is provided. The on-line mall environment is partitioned into at least one community and having at least one store in each community. Each store is made available to a merchant to occupy. The merchant may customize the store by providing for storage on the on-line mall sight design data and merchandise data. Customers access the on-line mall through a remote location. The customers may connect with the on-line mall website through direct connection to the on-line mall or through links provided by other websites. Customer specific data is stored on the on-line mall allowing the customer to enter purchasing data one time for the many stores in each community. Customer purchasing selections are stored and submitted to the merchant on standard intervals.

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File: USPT

Jan 16, 2001

US-PAT-NO: 6175823

DOCUMENT-IDENTIFIER: US 6175823 B1

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TITLE: Electronic gift certificate system

DATE-ISSUED: January 16, 2001

INVENTOR-INFORMATION:

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ASSIGNEE-INFORMATION:

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APPL-NO: 09/ 153632 [\[PALM\]](#)

DATE FILED: September 15, 1998

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US-CL-ISSUED: 705/26; 705/14

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PRIMARY-EXAMINER: Stamber; Eric W.

ASSISTANT-EXAMINER: Vincent; Steven F

ATTY-AGENT-FIRM: Knobbe, Martens, Olson & Bear, LLP

ABSTRACT:

An electronic gift certificate system is disclosed which distributes electronic gift certificates in the form of e-mail documents that include hyperlinks for automating the redemption process. When a gift certificate recipient selects such a hyperlink, the recipient's computer automatically transmits a claim code to the merchant's Web site, and the site responds by automatically crediting the recipient's personal account with the gift certificate amount. When the recipient subsequently makes a purchase from the merchant's Web site, the recipient's account balance is automatically applied to the purchase price.

28 Claims, 6 Drawing figures

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TITLE: GESTURE-CONTROLLED INTERFACES FOR SELF-SERVICE MACHINES AND OTHER APPLICATIONS

PUBLICATION-DATE: July 24, 2003

INVENTOR-INFORMATION:

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JACOBUS, CHARLES J.	ANN ARBOR	MI	US	
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DATE FILED: August 10, 1999

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REPRESENTATIVE-FIGURES: 2

ABSTRACT:

A gesture recognition interface for use in controlling self-service machines and other devices is disclosed. A gesture is defined as motions and kinematic poses generated by humans, animals, or machines. Specific body features are tracked, and static and motion gestures are interpreted. Motion gestures are defined as a family of parametrically delimited oscillatory motions, modeled as a linear-in-parameters dynamic system with added geometric constraints to allow for real-time recognition using a small amount of memory and processing time. A linear least squares method is preferably used to determine the parameters which represent each gesture.

Feature position measure is used in conjunction with a bank of predictor bins seeded with the gesture parameters, and the system determines which bin best fits the observed motion. Recognizing static pose gestures is preferably performed by localizing the body/object from the rest of the image, describing that object, and identifying that description. The disclosure details methods for gesture recognition, as well as the overall architecture for using gesture recognition to control of devices, including self-service machines.

REFERENCE TO RELATED APPLICATIONS

[0001] This application claims priority of U.S. provisional patent application Serial No. 60/096,126, filed Aug. 10, 1998, the entire contents of which are incorporated here by reference.

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REPRESENTATIVE-FIGURES: 1

ABSTRACT:

A debit card system for implementing an incentive award program for a customer having participants. A plurality of debit cards, each assigned to one participant and having a unique account number corresponding to an award account of the participant is part of the system. A bank filter processor accesses program data including data identifying the authorized unique account numbers of the participants, data identifying the authorized merchants and data indicating the

balance in each participant's award account. The filter processor compares this program data to the following transaction data: the initiating account number of the card initiating the transaction, the merchant identification data of the initiating merchant, and the data regarding the amount of the initiated transaction. The filter processor generates validating data for the transaction when the evaluated transaction data indicates that the transaction has been initiated by an authorized merchant using the unique account number of one of the participants having a sufficient balance in the participant's corresponding award account to cover the transaction. Otherwise, invalidating data is generated.

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REPRESENTATIVE-FIGURES: 1

ABSTRACT:

A system for providing evidence of payment wherein each transaction initiated through the system is assigned a unique code. This code, along with other information, such as the customer name or transactional information, is used to generate a two-dimensional barcode which may be sent in an electronic format to the customer. This two dimensional barcode may be stored on in electronic format until such time as the customer needs to show evidence of payment, at which time the customer may print the two dimensional barcode on a printer attached to the computer.

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REPRESENTATIVE-FIGURES: 1

ABSTRACT:

A method and apparatus for reducing the balance of a consumer or educational loan obligation using a loyalty reward program is disclosed. Loan obligors can reduce the balances of their loan obligations by purchasing consumer goods and services that they would normally purchase. The method essentially comprises the steps of (a) establishing a site on a global computer network; (b) recognizing at least certain users of the site; (c) directing the recognized users to merchants; (d) enabling accumulation of loyalty points by the recognized users based upon purchases from the merchants; (e) monitoring the purchases by the recognized users from the merchants; (f) tracking the accumulated loyalty points; and (g) permitting selective redemption of the accumulated loyalty points. Users of the site are recognized by requiring them to provide initial registration information. Accumulated loyalty points may be categorized with a status of "pending" or a

status of "earned." Selective redemption of the accumulated loyalty points includes selective application of earned loyalty points to a loan of a recognized user to ~~permit repayment of the loan, or selective transfer of earned loyalty points from~~ one recognized user to another recognized user. Information about accumulated, redeemed, and transferred loyalty points may be displayed to a recognized user.

Cross Reference to Related Applications

[0001] This application claims priority to United States Provisional Application Serial No. 60/216,622, filed 7 July 2000 (the '622 application). The '622 application is hereby incorporated by reference as though fully set forth herein.

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REPRESENTATIVE-FIGURES: 1

ABSTRACT:

This is a method and system whereby parties who know each other only by pseudonyms, such as by Internet e-mail addresses, may send and receive gifts while maintaining anonymity behind their pseudonyms. Steps of the method include receiving a request from a first pseudonymous party to take an order for a gift to be sent to a second party; obtaining from the first party an identification of the intended gift, and the pseudonym of the second party; and, looking up a non-pseudonymous name and address associated with the second in a database. Alternatively, the second party may be contacted and asked to confidentially reveal his or her name and mailing address for gift delivery purposes. While the second party's information is kept confidential from the first party, the second party has various choices including accepting the gift, accepting it upon certain conditions, or refusing it. The system of the invention includes components for permitting the first party to enter the second party's pseudonym; for determining the second party's true name and mailing address from his or her pseudonym; and, for sending the gift to the second party's true name and mailing address.

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